**Mission Statement Definition:**

*noun*

a formal summary of the aims and values of a company, organization, or individual.

**Mission Statement Length and Purpose:**

Most fall around 2-4 sentences, and 50-100 words. A mission statement is to boil down what you do, and who you do it for. It's supposed to keep the company on track. So nothing too long.

**Accreditation Standard 1A:**

Standard 1A: Mission

The mission describes the institution’s broad educational purposes, its intended student population, the types of degrees and other credentials it offers, and its commitment to student learning and student achievement. (ER6)

Note:

* *The institution’s mission addresses the institution’s educational purpose.*
* *The mission defines the student population the institution serves.*
* *The institution’s educational purpose is appropriate to an institution of higher learning.*
* *The mission addresses the types of degrees, credentials, and certificates the institution offers.*
* *The mission demonstrates the institution’s commitment to student learning and student achievement.*

**Current Mission Statement:**

Our Mission

Los Medanos College is a public community college that provides quality educational opportunities for those within the changing and diverse communities it serves. By focusing on student learning and success as our first priorities, we aim to help students build their abilities and competencies as lifelong learners. We create educational excellence through continually assessing our students’ learning and our performance as an institution. To that end, we commit our resources and design our policies and procedures to support this mission.

**Give feedback on these three questions posed by the Standard 1A writing team:**

1. Does the LMC mission statement define the population it serves?
2. Is the educational purpose as expressed in the mission statement appropriate to an institution of higher learning?
3. Does it sufficiently address the types of degrees, credentials and certificates offered?